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TWO CENTS.

## WANTS AMERICAN FORCE WITHDRAWN

### Carranza Urges That Pursuit of Villa Be Left to the Mexican Constitutionalist Army—Officials in Washington Say Chase Will Be Continued with Renewed Vigor

MEXICO, City, April 13.—The Mexican government has sent to its ambassador in Washington a note to be delivered today to Secretary Lansing asking that the American troops be withdrawn from Mexican territory and the pursuit of Villa left to the Mexican Constitutionalist army. The Mexican note contained about 5,000 words. In it the de facto government of Mexico contends that as the American troops crossed into Mexico without permission they should be withdrawn until a proper formal compact can be entered into between the two governments.

It is insistently affirmed that the previous note of the Mexican government especially emphasized the fact that permission for reciprocal crossing of the frontier would be granted only in the event of the repetition of a raid similar to that made by Villa at Columbus, New Mexico.

The note was sent to Elicio Arredondo, the Carranza representative in Washington, with instructions for its delivery to Secretary Lansing "so ending negotiations for a reciprocal passing of troops and acting for a disoccupation of the territory occupied by American troops, in view of Villa's party having been destroyed."

Throughout the note emphasis was laid on the fact that the American expedition was undertaken under a misunderstanding. Although acting in good faith the declaration is made that the United States had interpreted the first note of the de facto government as effecting a definite agreement between the two nations.

WASHINGTON, April 13.—Gen. Carranza, in a note which arrived at his embassy here early today for presentation to Secretary Lansing, asked for the withdrawal of American troops from Mexico.

The note raises a new issue in a situation already much complicated, the outcome of which officials are reticent to predict until they have gone over the communication carefully and considered what reply the United States will make.

In official quarters it was stated,

### Centre Congregational Church

Thursday, 6 to 7 p. m.—The Woman's association will serve a public supper in the chapel. After the supper an informal reception will be tendered to Rev. and Mrs. R. H. Clapp and family. There will be a sale of home-made candy by the Christian Endeavor society. Those who cannot be at the supper are urged to plan to come to meet the new pastor and his family. The supper menu will include cold meat, escalloped potato and salad. Price 25c.

### First Baptist Church

Thursday evening, 6.30.—Supper for all members of the church and congregation, to be followed at 7.30 by the annual business meeting, with reports from officers and committees of the church and from all auxiliary organizations and the election of officers for the ensuing year. A large attendance is desired.

The Woman's society has engaged Miss Agnes Hersey, a graduate of the Emerson School of Oratory, to give an entertainment Saturday evening, April 15. Miss Hersey will be assisted by Miss Mary Kane and Frederic C. Adams. Miss Hersey comes exceptionally well recommended and an entertainment of unusual merit is anticipated. Admission 25 cents; children 15 cents.

### In Odd Fellows' Temple

Thursday, April 13, 7.30 p. m.—Regular meeting of Canton Palestine. All members are urged to be present.

Friday night at 7.30.—Rehearsal of the Initiatory degree team. A full attendance is desired.

### Brooks House Sanitary Barber Shop

5 EXPERT WORKMEN

The Prince of Bootblacks Employed Here

J. H. ALLEN PROP.

## GERMANS HALT TO FILL GAPS IN WASHINGTON

### French Commander Satisfied to Continue Campaign on Present Lines

### GERMANS SUSTAINING TERRIBLE LOSSES

### It Is Believed They Have Lost Three Times as Many Men as Their Opponents, Who Have an Ample Reserve of Munitions for Later Attacks.

PARIS, April 13.—Another lull has fallen on the Verdun battlefield, as the Germans have been obliged to pause in order to fill up the gap in their ranks, to replace damaged guns and to bring up munitions preparatory to further onslaughts. It is believed that the French command is not likely to modify its methods. Gen. Petain is said to be quite satisfied as long as the Germans continue losing three times as many men as the French for unimportant results as he knows that he has ample reserve to press a counter attack on a large scale when the opportunity comes and stocks of ammunition which are practically inexhaustible.

PARIS, April 13.—Calm prevailed in the whole region of Verdun last night, this morning's official communication says. Preparation was made by the Germans for an attack on Hill No. 304, but the attack was prevented by the French from being carried into effect. No other important developments were reported at the front.

## LONE FRENCH AIRMAN FIGHTS FIVE FOKKERS

### Ends Their Concerted Attacks, Fires Upon Them and Escapes—Daring Feat of a Youth.

PARIS, April 13.—As the French infantry and artillery are making every effort to block the efforts of the Germans to get toward Verdun their comrades in the air are no less busy. They have now established a complete ascendancy in that element and every day sees fresh exploits.

Adjutant Navarre, who has accounted for seven German aeroplanes, was in the air 24 hours in three days last week. He seems to sit in his machine as a good rider sits upon his horse. He handles his machine-gun in such a way that to load it he has to let go the levers of the aircraft. When it was pointed out to him that this was dangerous, he answered:

"Possibly, but it is more convenient."

A few days ago Navarre fought five Fokkers single-handed.

"They were fairly far off," he said, "to the right and left, and before and behind. I made sure that my baby (a fast aeroplane) was in hand, and I did some tricks to amuse them."

"Suddenly, as if at a given signal, all five bore down on me. I waited for them. Then I made three little loops and came up behind two Fokkers. The others dared not try to snipe me for fear of hitting their own pals. It was extremely funny."

One of the most extraordinary feats was performed by a beginner who is not yet 21 years old.

"I was having a little argument with two passengers in a Fokker," said he, smilingly. A broadside from their machine-guns put mine out of business. There was nothing for me to do but to make myself scarce, but I was so angry I made a swoop at them with my propeller caught the tail of their machine, taking off the best part of it."

"The blow put my engine out of gear, and I dropped 3,000 feet. I thought I was going to be shot out of my machine, but I managed to right her in time and had the satisfaction of seeing my two Germans finish the race to death alone."

State department officials took the view that the Carranza note has a demand for immediate withdrawal of our forces.

### HIGHWAYMEN IN SHARON.

### Floyd Smith Shot and Robbed of Valuables.

SHARON, April 13.—Floyd Smith, 18 years old, while returning from a call at the home of a neighbor about 9.30 o'clock last evening, was attacked by two unidentified men who took his watch and money and shot him in one leg when he attempted to resist the assault. Deputy Sheriff F. O. Billings was notified and started toward Woodstock, that being the direction taken by Smith's assailants. Sheriff James H. Kintyre of Windsor and State's Attorney B. E. Cole of the same town were notified.

The attack took place in that part of the town where the killing of A. C. Gibson occurred on Feb. 21, last during an altercation over the ownership of some logs.

### BRITISH SARCASTIC.

### One Paper Thinks Americans Will Not Take German Note Seriously.

LONDON, April 13.—Although all the London evening newspapers since Germany's reply to the United States on submarine warfare have been publishing articles under such heads as "Vain Endeavor to Gull American Public," "Amazing American Note," and "Berlin Eats Its Own Words," the Westminster Gazette is the only one to comment on the note. It says: "We don't know whether Germany believes that hard-headed Americans will take seriously explanations so childish. If so we fancy they have done less than justice to the American nation."

### THE WEATHER

### Probably Showers Tonight and Friday—Moderate Variable Winds.

WASHINGTON, April 13.—The weather forecast: Probably showers tonight and Friday. Moderate variable winds.

## GERMAN NOTE

### It Is Understood That Statement Regarding Sussex Is Unsatisfactory

### U. S. MAY DEMAND IMMEDIATE ACTION

### Nothing Less Than Germany's Evidence of Good Faith to Fulfill Assurance Can Prevent Serious Complications.

WASHINGTON, April 13.—The German note on the Sussex and other submarine cases has been received at the state department and was being decoded today. It probably will be laid before President Wilson and Secretary Lansing before night.

The affidavits from Paris and London, expected today on the liner St. Paul, will be considered in connection with the German note and the information regarding attacks on merchant vessels since the Lusitania disaster is expected to be completed in time to go to Berlin within the next week.

While the entire plans of the administration are not being disclosed it is understood that nothing less than evidence of Germany's good faith to fulfill assurances she has given the United States, such as possibly substantial punishment of the submarine commander who torpedoed the Sussex, can prevent the situation between the countries from coming to a pass which diplomats have struggled for the past year to avoid.

The use of the word ultimatum is discouraged by officials, still it was said the effect of the communication would be to call for prompt action.

In view of the conclusive nature of information on the Sussex already reported the state department officials cannot see how Germany can continue to deny responsibility for the destruction of the ship.

Germany's reply, through Ambassador Gerard, to the inquiries of the American government regarding the steamers Sussex, Manchester Engineer, Englishman, Berwindale and Eagle Point, signed by Gottlieb von Jagow, the German minister of foreign affairs, denies that the Sussex was attacked by a German submarine, according to Berlin advices. The investigation covering the Sussex case, says the note, was extended to all actions undertaken on March 24—the day of the Sussex incident—in the channel between Folkestone and Dieppe. One steamer was sunk, the commander of the German submarine reaching the definite conclusion that it was a war vessel. A sketch of this vessel together with photographic reproductions of a picture of the steamer Sussex printed in the London Daily Graphic were enclosed with the note, the difference between the two craft being indicated.

The steamers Englishman and Eagle Point were sunk by German submarines after they had attempted to escape and time was allowed for the withdrawal of those aboard.

The steamer Berwindale was possibly sunk by a German submarine, while definite details with respect to the Manchester Engineer are lacking and therefore there has been no sufficient basis for investigation of this particular case.

## COURT TAKES UP DIVORCE CASES

### Petition of Mabel R. (Haynes) Akley Against Leon T. Akley of Brattleboro Heard Today.

The county court session this morning was occupied by hearing the divorce petition of Mabel R. (Haynes) Akley of Brattleboro against Leon Thomas Akley. The bill was granted on the ground of intolerable severity. Attorney E. W. Gibson represented the petitioner.

The cases of Pearl M. Jilson against John J. Jilson, Victoria Louise Horton against James Fred Horton and Ora J. Underwood against Lena Underwood are to be tried this afternoon.

The court will continue to hear divorce cases tomorrow which probably will be the last day this term in which divorce cases will be heard.

### RUSSIAN SHIP TORPEDOED.

### Nine Survivors, Some of them Wounded, Landed at Barcelona.

BARCELONA, April 13, via Paris.—The Russian sailing vessel Imperator has been torpedoed by an Austrian submarine in the Mediterranean. Nine of the crew, some of whom are wounded, have been landed here by a Dutch steamship. The Imperator left Gulfport, Mississippi, on Feb. 23, for Marseilles.

## LITTLE GIRL DIES OF BURNS

### East Dover Child and Older Brother Had Fire Under Stone Arch

### SCREAMS ATTRACTED FATHER'S ATTENTION

### Clothing Nearly Burned Off When Father Reached Her—Nora Trevarrow Was Sister of Lillian Trevarrow of Rice's Restaurant.

(Special to The Reformer.)

EAST DOVER, April 13.—Mrs. William Trevarrow, was so badly burned Tuesday forenoon while at play near her father's sugar house that she died about 8 o'clock last evening.

While Mr. Trevarrow was boiling sap on his farm on Adams hill, which is over the line in Newfane, the little girl and a brother, who is a small boy, started a fire under a small stone arch which the children had built, and the girl's clothing caught fire.

Screams by the children were heard by Mr. Trevarrow, who rushed out of his sugar house to find the child enveloped in flames. Her clothing was nearly burned off when her father reached her.

Dr. L. B. Gordon of Williamsville was summoned, and he found the girl to be in a very serious condition. From the first it was realized that her recovery was a matter of much doubt.

Nora Trevarrow was born July 4, 1910, and was one of a family of eight children. There are four sisters and three brothers living.

The oldest sister is the wife of Walter Morse of Townsend. Another sister is Miss Lillian Trevarrow, who is employed in Rice's restaurant in Brattleboro.

Prayer will be offered in the home Saturday at 11 o'clock and the funeral will be held at 12 o'clock in the Methodist church in East Dover. The burial will take place in Williamsville.

## VILLAGE WILL DO SPRAYING AT COST

### Spraying Machine Will Be Put in Operation Soon as Weather Is Warm Enough for Effective Work.

As soon as the weather is warm enough to make the work effective the village will begin spraying operations with the spraying machine owned by the village. Those desiring to have trees sprayed may make arrangements by notifying Village Attorney O. B. Hughes or any of the village commissioners. The work will be done for the actual cost.

### PATRICK CONNARN DEAD.

### West Dummerston Man Worked 37 Years for Central Vermont Road.

Patrick Connarn, 65, of West Dummerston, died early this morning in his home in that town after an illness of five weeks. He first had an attack of grip, which developed into a fatal bronchial affection.

Mr. Connarn was born in County Mayo, Ireland, March 3, 1851, a son of Patrick and Hannah (Kelley) Connarn. He came to this country when 16 years of age and located in Amesbury, Mass. He entered the employ of the Central Vermont railroad and continued in its service 37 years, retiring last November. He had lived in Putney and South Londonderry and the last 34 years in West Dummerston.

Mr. Connarn married in Amesbury, Nov. 25, 1872, Miss Bridget Greaney, and she and nine children and 23 grandchildren survive. The children are George Connarn of Manchester, N. H., Mrs. Fred Rogers of Kendall, Wash., Mrs. M. J. Flannery of Montpelier, Dr. James C. Connara of Bend, Ore., Mrs. Thomas F. O'Brien of West Dummerston, William C. Connarn of Los Angeles, Cal., Mrs. Howard Cullinan of Washington, D. C., Fred M. Connarn and Mrs. Wesley T. Richardson of Brattleboro. He leaves also two sisters, Mrs. William Greeley of Merrimacport, Mass., and Mrs. Julia Banks of Dover, N. H., and one brother, James Connarn, of California.

The funeral will be held Saturday morning in St. Michael's Roman Catholic church and the burial will take place in the Roman Catholic cemetery here.

### WILSON CLINGS TO BRANDEIS.

### Emphatic Denial That Nomination Will Be Recalled.

WASHINGTON, April 13.—Reports reaching the White House that opposition to the appointment of Louis D. Brandeis as associate justice of the supreme court has gained such headway that the President was on the point of withdrawing his nomination from the senate drew a heated denial yesterday from the President's advisers.

It was said that the President is determined to support Mr. Brandeis in every way possible and that he has given no thought to a possibility that he might be compelled to withdraw the nomination.

## DINAGAN CHARGED WITH SETTING FIRE

### Proprietor of Spofford Hotel Which Was Burned Indicted in Keene—Several Other Indictments.

KEENE, N. H., April 13.—The grand jury for the April term of superior court for Cheshire county rose yesterday afternoon and returned 13 indictments which are: John W. Dinagan of Chesterfield, arson; Arthur Duquette of Westmoreland, forgery, three counts; James Kastria of Keene, larceny of \$150; Ella Shelley of Hinsdale, statutory; Henry DeBell of Hinsdale, statutory; Charles Shelley of Hinsdale, incest; George McNeil of Keene, larceny; Henry Smith, alias Harry Jones, alias John Gale, alias Henry Gero, obtaining money under false pretenses, four counts.

The indictment against John W. Dinagan of Chesterfield is perhaps the most important true bill returned. It alleges that on March 31 Dinagan set fire to the Spofford House in Chesterfield, causing it to be destroyed.

Dinagan was arrested on a capias writ issued directly after the jury reported. He furnished bail, fixed at \$5,000, for his appearance in court later in the term.

Dinagan was proprietor of the hotel at the time of the fire and had conducted it two or three years. At one time he had an innkeeper's license to sell liquor, but it was revoked by the state commissioners.

Arthur Duquette, who was indicted for forgery, was arrested recently on the charge of forging the name of Pinette W. Meany of Swanzey, N. H., formerly of Westmoreland, to a check for \$5.75 drawn on the Peoples National bank of Brattleboro. Mrs. Meany is a daughter of M. G. Williams of Putney.

## COOMBS PROPERTY UNDER FORECLOSURE

### Part of Lien Note for \$4,300 Unpaid—Other Attachments Placed—Mr. Coombs Not Located.

A lien note for \$4,300 given by Robert E. Coombs of Guilford who left Tuesday because of financial troubles, to Earl M. Nichols of Lyonsville, Mass., was foreclosed yesterday and Deputy Sheriff Frank L. Wellman of Guilford took possession of the large quantity of bee supplies covered by the note. A part of the note has been paid.

Attachments have been placed on the buildings of Mr. Coombs in Guilford in favor of Alonzo Crosier and Leslie Smith of this town.

No definite information of the whereabouts of Mr. Coombs has been received by his relatives, in spite of efforts being made to locate him.

### BOY BADLY INJURED.

### Struck Line of Cars When He Attempted to Board a Freight.

ST. ALBANS, April 13.—William Bocher, 15, was seriously injured yesterday morning when he attempted to board a Central Vermont freight train which was moving out of the local yard, southbound. He was taken to the hospital, where an operation was performed. The boy said his home was at Saratoga Springs, N. Y., where his father, William Bocher, was employed as a boilermaker by the Delaware & Hudson railroad.

Apparently the crew of train No. 411, which the youth tried to board, knew nothing of the accident, but the boy's attempt was seen by Conductor J. E. Ingham of a Richmond special freight train. When the boy tried to swing aboard the moving train, he struck a line of cars on the middle track and was hurled to the ground. Conductor Ingham and Charles F. Gal, a yard clerk, went to his assistance and carried him to an office where Dr. Alan Davidson, the company physician, was summoned. Later the boy was taken to the hospital, where it was said his condition was serious. Besides his father at Saratoga Springs, the boy said he has a sister in Albany, N. Y.

### SOME LYMAN CASH FOUND.

### \$20,000 Discovered in Safe Deposit Box in Newark, N. J.

NEW YORK, April 13.—More than \$20,000 in cash was found in a safe deposit box in a bank at Newark, N. J., rented by John Grant Lyman, under arrest at New York for swindling investors throughout the country when the vault was opened yesterday by order of federal court. In the box, which was registered under the name of George M. Brown, there were fourteen \$1,000, nine \$500 and twenty \$100 bills.

Lyman fled from New York in February after the collapse of the brokerage firm of John H. Putnam & Co., the name under which he operated. He was arrested in Florida, and after being brought back to New York was retained when questioned by the authorities regarding large sums which he was said to have placed in various country depositories.

The court order to open the safe deposit box in Newark was obtained by John T. Lytle, receiver appointed to liquidate Lyman's financial affairs.

### INFORMATION WITHHELD.

### Incompatible With Public Interests to Tell About Standard Oil Co.

WASHINGTON, April 13.—Attorney General Gregory, responding to Senator Kenyon's resolution calling for the result of the department of justice's investigation into the working of the Standard Oil dissolution order, told the senator today that it would be incompatible with public interests to disclose the information at this time.

## BUY HOOKER CORNER LOT

### Houghton & Simonds Plan to Erect Fireproof Three Story Building

### FRONTAGE 50 FEET ON MAIN STREET

### Line Runs Back 125 Feet, Just South of Hooker Residence—New Owners Will Move Dry Goods Business to Lower Floor.

Negotiations were completed today whereby Houghton & Simonds, the well-known dry goods firm, will become owners of the corner lot on the Hooker property at the junction of Main and High streets.

The lot contains room for a building approximately 50 feet on Main street and 125 feet on High street. The line is just south of the Hooker residence.

Houghton & Simonds, who now occupy the corner store in the Hooker building on the opposite side of Main street, intend to erect a thoroughly modern fireproof building on the newly acquired property. They have not completed plans for a building, but they have in contemplation a three-story structure, the first floor for their own occupancy and the second and third floors for offices and apartments. The lay of the land is especially suited for a corner entrance to such a building.

The purchase was made of John B. Manley, who recently bought the entire Hooker property. Mr. Manley plans to erect a large garage on the rear part of the land, and after selling the corner lot to Houghton & Simonds he still has left the residence and land in front of it and north to the First Baptist church.

The building which Houghton & Simonds contemplate putting up will have unobstructed light on the east, south and west sides and will be one of the finest store buildings in town, enabling them to arrange and display goods to particularly good advantage.

### EUGENE P. WHEELER.

### Was One of Most Respected Residents of Williamsville.

Eugene P. Wheeler, 85, died last night at 10 o'clock in his home in Williamsville. He sustained a shock about three years ago and had been in failing health since.

Mr. Wheeler was born in Williamsville March 25, 1831, and had spent all of his life there, being engaged much of the time in farming. He was one of the town's most respected citizens. He leaves one son, George Wheeler.

The funeral will be held at 1.30 o'clock Saturday afternoon in the Universalist church in Williamsville and the burial will take place in the cemetery in that place.

### BATTLESHIPS IN COLLISION.

### Neither the Michigan Nor South Carolina Seriously Damaged.

WASHINGTON, April 13.—Collision yesterday afternoon between the battleships Michigan and South Carolina, in which neither was seriously damaged and no one hurt, was reported today by Admiral Fletcher.

While the fleet was steaming north, Admiral Fletcher said, the two battleships came in contact during maneuvers. Both are proceeding under their own steam.

### JACKSONVILLE.

### Myron Allen was in Colrain the first of the week.

Mrs. Leon Pratt and Mrs. William Bennett were in Wilmington Tuesday.

Miss Sadie Helyar of Brattleboro visited at W. S. Allen's the past week.

W. A. Brown of Wilmington was in town looking after his sugar orchard one day recently.

Fred Canedy, who is working in Wilmington through sugaring, was home over Sunday.

Nellie Dary of Colrain visited her parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. E. Dary, a few days recently.

Leon Williams of Halifax moved into his home, which he recently bought, the first of the week.

Myron Allen has been gathering the cream on the eastern route this week for the North River creamery.

Tracy Reed, who was kicked by a horse one day last week is gaining slowly. He was able to be moved home Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. George Churchill were in Greenfield, Mass., over Sunday to consult a physician. Mrs. Churchill has been having serious trouble with her head, following an attack of grip.

Mrs. Mary (Griffin) Chase, 70, wife of J. B. Chase, died in her home Thursday evening, April 6. She had been in ill health for some time, although she was confined to her bed only about two weeks. She was a daughter of Vets and Emily (Morey) Griffin and had lived in town all her life. She will be missed by all who knew her. Funeral services were held at the house at 1 o'clock Monday, Rev. Flint M. Bissell of Wilmington officiating. The burial took place in the Whittingham cemetery.